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In re Application of

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For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR IMAGE RETRIEVAL

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated April 1, 2003, having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire July 1, 2003, a petition for a one month extension of time up to and including August 1, 2003 being filed concurrently herewith, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Serial No. 09/708,463

IN THE DRAWINGS:

Please amend Figs. 1-3 as indicated on the marked-up copies of the figures enclosed herewith. Once the proposed amendments to Figs. 1-3 have been approved, Applicants will submit formal versions of the revised figures.

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Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application.

No additional fee is required.

Applicant is entitled to small entity status under 37 CFR 1.27

Petition For Extension of Time Also attached:

The fee has been calculated as shown below:

	NO. OF CLAIMS	HIGHEST PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	EXTRA CLAIMS	RATE	FEE
Total Claims	14	20	0	\$18.00 =	\$0.00
Independent Claims	2	3	0	\$84.00 =	\$0.00
	***	Multiple claims newly presented			\$0.00
		Fee for extension of time			\$110.00
			Total of Above Calculations		\$110.00

Please charge my Deposit Account No. 500417 in the amount of \$110.00. An additional copy of this \boxtimes transmittal sheet is submitted herewith.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 500417, including any filing fees under 37 CFR 1.16 \boxtimes for presentation of extra claims and any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17.

Respectfully submitted,

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